

# NEBRASKA STATE ACCOUNTABILITY ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT

## Grade 4 Reading

Nebraska State Accountability assessments are administered by the Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) – 301 Centennial Mall South – P.O. Box 94987 – Lincoln, Nebraska 68509 – (402) 471-2295.

#### **Directions:**

The following pages are samples of the Grade 4 Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) Alternate Assessment Reading teacher's manual and student test. They are designed to provide a practice opportunity for students taking the NeSA-AAR.

Tests are given in a one student - one adult (teacher or trained para-educator) setting. The test administrator must follow the instructions and script in the manual. However, they may use professional discretion in the wording of directions if adaptations ensure student understanding of the question. Detailed descriptions of pictures may also be necessary for students with visual disabilities.

Accommodations written in the student's IEP and included in student instruction are allowed. Accommodations might include, but are not limited to: visual/presentation accommodations (e.g. enlarge pictures, display pictures on a screen, cut pictures apart), response accommodations, setting accommodations, and timing/scheduling accommodations.

The NeSA-AAR does not provide manipulatives for each test. However manipulatives/ objects are allowable if that strategy/support is a normal part of the student's instruction and written in the student's IEP

The student's primary mode of communication is always recognized, accommodated, and provided.

Item 1 Indicator LA 4.1.6f Organizational Patterns		
Prepare	<ul> <li>Place Student Test Page 1 in front of the student.</li> <li>Call student's attention to the passage.</li> </ul>	
SAY	Follow along as I read this story.  It is fun to play in the snow.  Be sure to wear a coat, hat, and boots.  Then you will stay warm while you play outside in the snow.	
ASK	Why do you wear a coat, hat, and boots outside?  Call attention to and read the answers.  to play in the sunshine, to play in the wind,  to play in the snow	

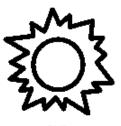
#### STUDENT'S TEST BOOK

NeSA ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT Item # 1 Organizational Patterns Reading - Grade 4

It is fun to play in the snow.

Be sure to wear a coat, hat, and boots.

Then you will stay warm while you play outside in the snow.



sun (1)



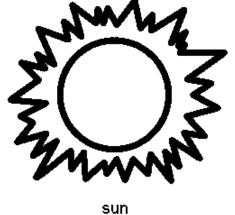
wind (2)



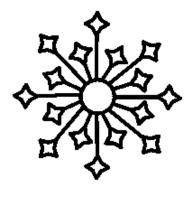
snow (3) It is fun to play in the snow.

Be sure to wear a coat, hat, and boots.

Then you will stay warm while you play outside in the snow.





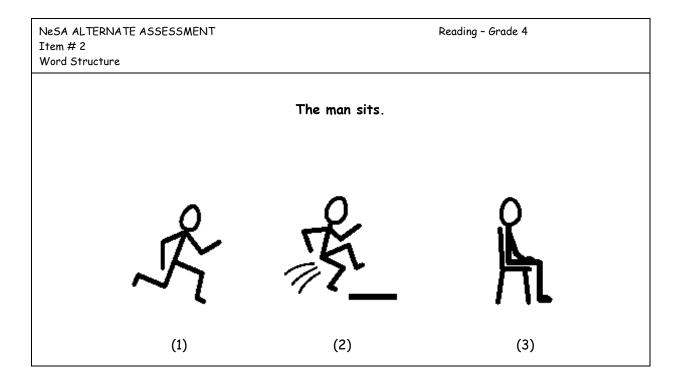


wind

snow

Item 2 Indicator LA 4.1.5a Word Structure			
Prepare	<ul> <li>Place Student Test Page 2 in front of the student.</li> <li>Call their attention to the sentence.</li> </ul>		
SAY	Read this sentence.  The man sits.  A verb is a word that tells what someone is doing.		
ASK	Which picture shows what the man is doing?  Call attention to and read the answers.  runs, jumps, sits		

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### The man sits.

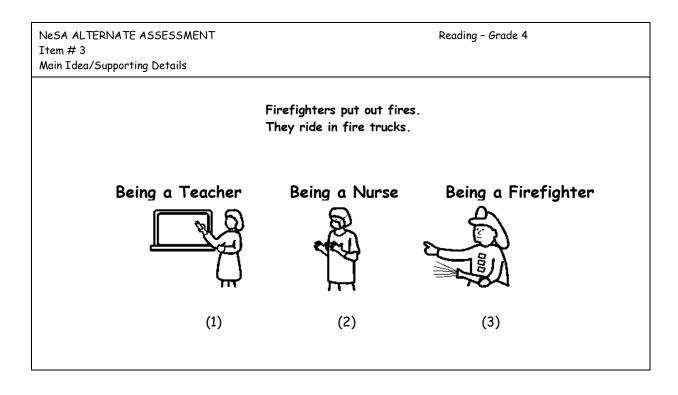






Item 3 Indicator LA 4.1.6e Main Idea/Supporting Details			
Prepare	<ul> <li>Place Student Test Page 3 in front of the student.</li> <li>Call student's attention to the passage.</li> </ul>		
SAY	Follow along as I read this story.  Firefighters put out fires.  They ride in fire trucks.		
ASK	What is a good title for this?  Call attention to and read the answers.  Being a Teacher, Being a Nurse,  Being a Firefighter		

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Firefighters put out fires.
They ride in fire trucks.

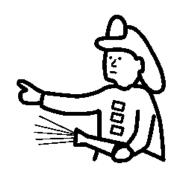
Being a Teacher



Being a Nurse



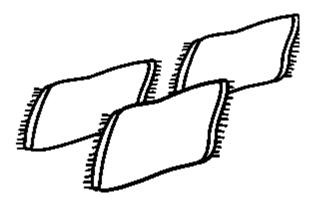
Being a Firefighter



Item 4 Indicator LA 3.1.5a Word Structure		
Prepare	<ul> <li>Place Student Test Page 4 in front of student.</li> <li>Call student's attention to the picture at the top of the page.</li> </ul>	
SAY	Here is more than one rug.	
ASK	Which word means more than one rug?	

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Nesa alternate assessment Item # 4 Word Structure			Reading - Grade 3
	rugs	<b>rug</b> (2)	



rug<u>s</u>

rug